missile technology from North Korea has also been mentioned by these officials.

(c) These reports are not new to us; they confirm the validity of government's own assessments. Government has conveyed to its interlocutors our concern about the adverse effects on India's security from continuing nuclear and missile proliferation in Paklistan, despite the existence of various export control regimes and declarations of restraint by supplier countries.

Trade unions' opposition to amendments in Industrial Disputes and Contract Labour Acts

*274. SHRI C. O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the trade unions have opposed the amendments to the Industrial Disputes Act and the Contract Labour Act until the report of the Second Labour Commission is received; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) The Trade Unions in the recently concluded meeting of the 37th Session of the ILC, were generally of the view that the Govt. may await the report of the Second National Commission on Labour before considering amendments to labour laws.

Changes in labour laws such as Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 and the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970, are made after discussions and consultations with the tripartite partners. Amendments to labour laws have been made from time to time as and when required, and is a continuous process.